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REMARKS

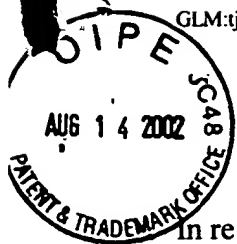
In response to the Office Action dated April 11, 2002, Paper No. 11, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks. Claims 1-54 and 61-65 are pending in the application. No claims have been allowed. Claims 1, 29, 31, 33, 36, 47, 50, 54, 61, and 64 are independent.

Cited Art

U.S. Patent No. 6,132,969 to Stoughton et al. ("Stoughton") is entitled "Methods for Testing Biological Network Models."

U.S. Patent No. 5,526,281 to Chapman et al. ("Chapman") is entitled "Machine-Learning Approach to Modeling Biological Activity for Molecular Design and to Modeling other Characteristics."

U.S. Patent No. 5,769,074 to Barnhill et al. ("Barnhill") is entitled "Computer Assisted Methods for Diagnosing Diseases."



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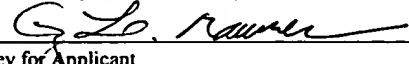
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Enclosed is an Amendment for the above application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

For	No. after amendment	No. paid for previously	Present Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	59	- 59*	= 0	\$18.00	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims	10	10**	= 0	\$84.00	\$ 0.00
Mult. Dep. Claims Fee (if not previously paid)				\$280.00	
One-month Extension of Time				\$110.00	\$110.00
Two-month Extension of Time				\$400.00	
Three-month Extension of Time				\$920.00	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$110.00

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☒ Applicants petition for an extension of time for the number of months indicated above. If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.


☒ A check in the amount of \$110.00 is attached.

- ☒ Please charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with filing this amendment and any extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Please return the enclosed postcard to confirm that the items listed above have been received.

Respectfully submitted,

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